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Brief Telegrams

The former Japanese minister says that Russia must pay indemnity for the war now in progress.

A slight earthquake was felt in and near Keokuk, Ia. Buildings were shaken but no serious damage was done.

West Virginia has abandoned its position that the new taxes on oil, coal and gas leaseholds can be collected for five years back.

The Russian social revolutionary party has issued a statement outlining plan for establishment of a republic on the ruins of the autocracy.

Postal receipts in March this year in the fifty largest cities of the country were \$7,042,875, an increase of \$586,058 over the same month last year.

It is reported that Chile and Peru will shortly charge their respective ministers to endeavor to arrange the questions pending between the two countries.

Federal grand jury investigating the beef trust in Chicago, indicted four men on charge of obstructing officer in serving subpoena on a man wanted as witness.

The proposed constitutional amendment authorizing a state bond issue of \$50,000,000 for building good roads under the state aid law passed the New York assembly.

The King of Greece, in return for Emperor William's courtesy in making him an admiral of the German navy, has appointed the emperor to be an admiral of the Greek navy.

A special from St. Augustine, Fla., says that Joseph Jefferson, the famous actor, is ill at his home in Miami and that physicians have been summoned from St. Augustine to attend him.

The Turkish transport Ismir, with 800 troops on board, passed through the Suez canal bound for Yemen, Arabia, which has been in a state of revolution for some time.

Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Hobbs, of the artillery corps, and Major John L. Bullis, of the pay department, have been appointed brigadier generals in the army and retired.

Judge Alton B. Parker, former democratic candidate for president, delivered the chief address at the celebration of Jefferson's birthday in New York.

Judge Grosscup, in an address before the Traffic Club of Pittsburgh, declared the panacea for the trust evil is to force the corporations at once and forever out of the list of suspects.

Dr. Herman H. Biggs of New York, medical adviser of the commission appointed to deal with the epidemic of cerebro spinal meningitis, said that he did not regard the situation as alarming.

Governor General Northcutt, of the commonwealth of Australia, will, it is understood, invite Secretary of War Taft and party to visit Australia during the party's forthcoming visit to the Philippines.

Indictments returned by the federal grand jury, sitting at Pueblo, Colo., were served on eleven residents of that city, charging them with conspiracy to prevent citizens from voting. All gave bond for \$2,000 and continued at liberty.

Lady Curzon, wife of the viceroy, has invited all the Europeans and Indians injured during the recent earthquakes who are able to be moved to come to the Walker and Ripon hospitals at Simla as her guests.

Attorney General P. C. Simmons of Oklahoma revoked the license of six of the seven surety companies operating in that territory because they have failed to comply with a law recently enacted requiring such companies to deposit \$50,000 with the territory treasurer.

Figures just published by the bureau of statistics, department of commerce and labor, giving the foreign commerce of the principal ports of the world, show that London still leads with a total of \$1,304,754,181. New York ranks second with a total of \$1,106,979,046.

About 400 indictments, charging the Standard Oil company with failure to take out peddlers' licenses, as required by the Kentucky statutes, were returned by the Franklin county, Ky., grand jury. Similar indictments have been returned recently in several counties of the state.

Under the provisions of a bill just signed by Governor Higgins, wages or total income from all sources of any head of a family in excess of \$12 a week, may be levied upon hereafter in New York for bills for groceries or other necessities, or for the wages of a domestic servant. Hitherto the minimum limit has been \$20.

Governor LaFollette, of Wisconsin, has invited all the Europeans and Inlanders to prohibit the sale or manufacture of cigarettes or cigarette tobacco or paper or the giving away of cigarette papers. The bill goes into effect on July 1.

At Penetanguishie, Ont., Mrs. Desroches and her daughter Annie were murdered in their home.

Secretary Taft expects to have a conference in a few days with Frederick Delano, James Speyer and J. G. White, regarding the building of railroads in the Philippine islands.

COME INTO COURT

QUESTION OF REBATES TO BE INVESTIGATED.

THOSE REQUESTED TO APPEAR

Chairman Elkins Says Private Cars and Terminals Will Be Looked Into.—Many Magnates Summoned Before the Special Session Now On.

WASHINGTON—Following is a list of the railroad men who have been requested to appear before the senate committee on interstate commerce, which will begin its inquiry into railroad regulation at once.

W. K. Vanderbilt of the New York Central, George Gould of the Gould system, E. H. Harriman of the Union Pacific, J. J. Hill of the Great Northern, A. J. Cassatt of the Pennsylvania, E. D. Kenna, vice president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe; Walker D. Hines, general counsel of the Louisville & Nashville; Hugh L. Bond, general counsel of the Baltimore & Ohio; Winslow Pierce, general counsel of the Gould system; President Huggitt of the Chicago & North-western, President Ripley of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe; President Tuttle of the Boston & Maine, Vice President Wilcox of the Delaware & Hudson, President Truesdale of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western; President Spencer of the Southern, President Fish of the Illinois Central.

Of these only Messrs. Cassatt, Fish, Spencer and Tuttle have signified a willingness to attend, and they say they will not be able to be present at the beginning of the committee's sitting. A number of the witnesses have been summoned, however, and it is expected that the committee will be able to proceed soon after coming together. Among the non-railroad men to be heard are Senators Spooner, Knox and Morgan; Prof. W. Z. Ripley of Harvard university and Victor Morawetz of New York.

The committee has been summoned to meet at 3 p. m. Monday, and Chairman Elkins of the committee has announced his purpose to go very thoroughly into the subject. The resolution under which the hearing will be held directs the committee "to consider the question of additional legislation to regulate interstate commerce, and to authorize the Interstate Commerce commission to fix rates of freights and fares and to acquire further information as to interstate commerce, including violations or evasions of the anti-rebate law and the devices and methods by which such evasions are accomplished and including refrigerator and other private car system, industrial railway tracks, switching charges and the like, and also to consider what legislation should be enacted in relation to the liability of railroad companies engaged in interstate traffic or operating lines in any territory of the United States for injuries received by their employees when in the discharge of duty."

GARFIELD READY TO BEGIN

Investigation of Kansas Oil Situation Will Commence at Once.

TOPEKA, Kan.—Commissioner of Corporations Garfield announced that the investigation of the Standard Oil company in Kansas would be started at once. The hearings will all be secret, and no intimation of the commissioner's work will be made public until the report is given out by President Roosevelt. Commissioner Garfield held conferences with Governor Hoch, Attorney General Coleman and United States District Attorney Dean. All the information gained by these officials was placed before him and he regards it as sufficient to start to work on.

In reply to a question Commissioner Garfield said that he had been working on the oil situation for several months. He said:

The early agitation in Kansas interested me, as it is practically a repetition of what we went through in Ohio several years ago. The relations of the production of crude oil to demand is naturally a very important matter in this investigation. The Standard Oil company seems to have raised the cry of over-production as a defense against the charges and this claim is one of the things that we will go into very carefully.

BRIDLE FOR MISS ROOSEVELT

Made of White Horse Hair With Solid Silver Buckles.

NEW CASTLE, Colo.—Now that the reception to President Roosevelt and the parade is assured the women of New Castle have decided to do their share. As soon as the president alights from the train a committee from the women's reading club will surround him and will escort him to the club rooms, where on behalf of the women of Garfield county he will be presented with a horse hair bridle for the use of Miss Alice Roosevelt.

The bridle itself is a work of art, which took over a year to complete.

Turkey Settles Claims.

PARIS—A dispatch to the semi-official Temps from Constantinople says the French ambassador, M. Constant, has received an imperial decree making a complete and definite settlement of the French claims. It gives an indemnity of \$7,000,000 for the controversy over the Damascus-Nazir railroad and insures continuous French control of the road, and also accords as damages \$420,000 to the French company operating the quays of Constantinople. These are the main features.

PAUL JONES' BODY FOUND.

Successful Termination of a Remarkable Search at Paris.

PARIS—The remarkable search which Ambassador Porter has conducted for the body of John Paul Jones has been crowned with success by the discovery of the body and its identification by the highest French medical experts as unquestionably that of the famous American admiral who founded the American navy.

Ambassador Porter cabled to Washington announcing the successful results of his long and difficult search. The body is in a good state of preservation, considering that the interment took place over 100 years ago.

The circumstances leading to the final discovery of the body are particularly interesting. General Porter has conducted the search for the last five years and when congress recently took no action upon the president's recommendation for the expenses incident to the search the ambassador continued the extensive labors at his own expense. A large force of workmen has been engaged night and day tunneling and cross-tunneling the old St. Louis cemetery. This constituted a huge operation, embracing nearly a block covered with buildings and requiring a system of subterranean mining.

Hundreds of wooden caskets were found, but not until Wednesday were unearthed four leaden caskets which gave promise of containing the body of the admiral. Three of them bore plates designating the names of the deceased. The fourth showed superior solidity of workmanship. No plate was found on this casket and it is supposed it was removed when another coffin was superimposed on it. The leaden coffin was opened in the presence of Ambassador Porter, Colonel Bailey Blanchard, the second secretary of the American embassy, and Engineer Weiss, who has been directing the excavation. The body was found to be well preserved owing to its being immersed in alcohol. It was wrapped in a sheet with a packing of straw and hay. Those present were immediately struck by the resemblance of the head to that on the medallions and busts of the admiral.

As was anticipated, no uniform, decoration or sword was found, as all such articles had been accounted for after the burial.

The coffin is shaped like a mummy coffin, which coffins were common at that period, widening from the feet to the shoulders, with a round top fitting over the head.

The coffin was taken to the medical school where directors Capitan and Pillian, distinguished professors of the school of anthropology and recognized authorities on such investigations, were charged with making a thorough examination for the purpose of identification. To facilitate this, the ambassador furnished them with portraits and medallions, two busts by Houdi and authentic descriptions of the color of the admiral's hair and height and measurement of his body. After the most minute examination these facts were fully substantiated.

Length of the body, five feet seven inches; the admiral's exact height.

Size and shape of the head agree with several peculiarities identical with the head of the admiral. Hair, dark brown, the same as the admiral's; in places slightly gray, indicating a person of his age, 45 years. The hair is long, reaching below the shoulders, and is combed back and gathered in a clasp at the back of the neck.

OVER-RIDES SUSAN B. ANTHONY

National Council of Women Declares Divorce Evil to Be an Evil.

WASHINGTON—Over the bitter protest of Miss Susan B. Anthony the National Council of Women adopted a resolution pledging the organization to co-operate with church and state to ascertain what are the chief causes which induce or lead up to divorce. Divorce, the resolution recites, is known to cause most disastrous results in the family and state.

"I do not consider divorce an evil by any means," asserted Miss Anthony, who was on her feet before the reading of the resolution had been concluded. It is just as much a refuge for women married to brutal men as Canada was once a refuge from brutal masters. I will never vote for a resolution that will cut women off from refuge from designing and brutal men."

The council adopted formally the anti-polygamy resolution favorably reported from committee; also a resolution deploring the horrors of war in general and particularly the present war in the far east. The council pledged itself through resolution to establish and maintain kindergarten and day nurseries for the poorer classes of colored children.

Resolutions also were adopted opposing the indiscriminate use of the American flag, and advocating on all possible occasions the adoption of the initiative and referendum as the most effective means for securing equal rights for women.

Stricter Medical Examination.

PHILADELPHIA, N. Y.—An executive committee of the Royal Arcanum is in session here. One of the members in speaking of the order said their reports for the year ending May 1, next, would show that the receipts of the association exceeded the amount of the death claims by only \$20,000.

The speaker stated that the executive committee would recommend not only that the medical examination be made stricter, but that the applicant's mode of living and habits be examined into.

BAD FOR INDIANS

AGENT WILSON SAYS FREE WHISKY MEANS THEIR END.

RED MEN FORWARD A PROTEST

Insist That They Have Been Robbed of Their Lands and Money Belonging to Them is Gobbled Up by the White Speculators.

WASHINGTON—H. G. Wilson, bonded school superintendent of the Winnebagoes, arrived in Washington on matters before officials of the Indian bureau and expects to return home within a few days. Upon his return he will install his successor, W. A. McFartridge, and this having been accomplished will start for Klamath, Ore., having recently been appointed bonded school superintendent of the Klamath schools.

Mr. Wilson, in speaking of the conditions on the Winnebago reservation respecting the sale of liquors, said that during the recent months there had been much less drinking. The recent decision of the supreme court, however, holding there is no law to prevent the Winnebago or other Indians who hold full American citizenship from purchasing liquor, will have a disastrous effect.

"This decision means the finish morally and physically of this tribe of Indians," said Wilson.

"If enabled to purchase whisky they will soon become extinct. In fact, it will be but a few years until nearly every able bodied man among them will have drunk himself to death."

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